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## Calls Soviet Fear of Man's Wish To Be Free Great Asset for U.S.

### Allen Dulles Tells Forum 'We Can and Must Exploit It' — Strauss Talks on Benefits of Atomic Energy.

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NEW YORK, Oct. 20—Soviet fear of man's desire to be free is America's greatest cold-war asset, Allen W. Dulles, director of the Central Intelligence Agency, said last night in addressing the closing session of the New York Herald Tribune forum. "We can and must exploit it," he said.

Adm. Lewis L. Strauss, chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission told the forum he does not believe another clash of the great powers is inevitable, nor does he believe such a war, if it comes, will wipe out civilization with atomic weapons. Instead, he looked for great, eventual benefits for all mankind from atomic energy.

Dulles conceded that the progress of freedom abroad has not been encouraging, but he warned against underestimating the superiority in material and spiritual assets of the free world over the Communist bloc.

**Fact Haunts Kremlin Rulers.**  
"One of our greatest assets is that all men aspire to be equal and free," he said. "This fact haunts the rulers of the Kremlin today for, even they, cannot change this law of nature and they know it. It is up to us, not only by example but by positive acts, to make the most of this driving force within mankind."

As evidence that the Russian leaders fear freedom, Dulles noted that they never tolerate free elections, put labor unions under the police power of the

State, built an Iron Curtain to prevent people from entering or leaving their lands, and jam at immense costs the air waves to keep out the radio voices of freedom.

"The evidence of Communist fear of freedom and of any contact with it could be multiplied," he said. "This fear is their Achilles heel. We can and must exploit it. At the same time, we must prevent the Communists from exploiting our freedoms against us. They come into our backyard and use our liberties in order to destroy them."

The American task, Dulles said, is to "vigorously develop our freedoms at home," extend help to nations abroad that "are the next likely targets of Communist penetration," and to "make the most of the latent but none the less real force of freedom that has not been killed behind the Iron Curtain, even in Russia itself."

#### Talk by Strauss.

Adm. Strauss said surveys have shown that most people, when they think of atomic energy, think only of bombs and "apocalyptic visions of a world careening blindly towards destruction."

"These dreadful visions," he said, "have obscured a brighter and, I am inclined to believe more likely promise for all mankind: The eventual provision of energy for the work and well-being of men on a scale dwarfing the most hopeful aspirations of the most hopeful men. . . ."

The fact that atomic weapons

with their great capacity for destruction, are not a monopoly of any country now "imposes upon statesmen restraints of a kind novel in history," he said. "The remarkable thing about atomic weapons," he said, "is the ease in which they can be transmuted into implements of peace. But 'stripped of their military casing,' to use President Eisenhower's appealing phrase, these weapons become the equivalent of numberless Niagaras, Grand Coulee and Hoover dams," he said.

Now that the weapons program "is in most satisfactory condition," Strauss said, the peaceful applications "is one of the fields that so largely engross our interest." He said the nation will proceed to train scientists from allied and free countries in atomic power development, cancer therapy and other fields that will benefit everyone.

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